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Mr. Gregory Ham U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 841 Chestnut Building Ninth and Chestnut Streets Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107

Subject:

Peer Review Comments TDD No. F3-9012-16

EPA DSN PA-2851

Facility ID No. PAD361134083

Carol Cable Company

Altoona, Blair County, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Ham:

Submitted herewith are the responses to peer review comments for the subject site. Typographical errors have been corrected, and grammatical changes have been made where appropriate.

In response to comments by Christopher Bialecki, as discussed during a telephone conversation on July 16, 1991, the following is offered:

- 1. The cover page has been corrected to read "Section 1."
- 2. In section 1.3, the "inside drum storage area" has been correctly identified as the "hazardous waste drum storage area."
- 3. The boiler room has been labeled on figure 2.2.
- 4. The lead casting room has been identified as being located in the southeastern corner of the facility.
- 5. The phrase "closed its doors" has been changed to "ceased its operations."
- 6. The location of solid waste management unit (SWMU) no. 1 has been identified.
- 7. The three-mile radius for wetlands has been changed to a four-mile radius. In addition, a statement has been added identifying a wetland 4.1 miles southeast of the facility.
- 8. The number of on-site workers has been added to section 3.6.
- Donna Santiago's phone number has been corrected.
- 10. Offices have been identified as being located on the upper and lower floors of the facility.

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- 11. The location of the lead-casting operations at the facility has been correctly identified.
- 12. The phrase "of the drum storage room" was added to observation no. 6.
- 13. The dilution weight has been changed to 0.1.
- 14. The number of on-site workers has been corrected to 215 on the Preliminary Assessment Form. Also, the resident population score on the Hazard Ranking System (HRS) score sheets has been corrected.
- 15. The sum target value (T) has been corrected.
- 16. The surface water pathway score, soil exposure pathway score, and the air pathway score have been corrected. In addition, the site score has been corrected on the HRS score sheet and in the cover letter.

If you have any further questions, please contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed by,

Approved by

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Project Manager

Charles Meyer Section Supervisor

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## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENC REGION III

## 841 Chestnut Building

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107

SUBJECT:

Carol Cable Company

DATE: June 24, 1991

Blair County, Pennsylvania Draft EPI/PA report Review

FROM:

Maria de Lourdes Andino

PA CARE Section (3HW64)

TO:

Chris Pilla, Chief

PA CARE Section (3HW64)

Enclosed, my comments and recommendations on the Draft Environmental Priorities Initiatives Preliminary Assessment (EPI/PA) report prepared by NUS for the subject site.

Sub-section 1.3 Summary

Third paragraph, page 1-2, it is recommended to mention the Carol Cable Company (the "Company") new EPA id. number.

Fifth paragraph, page 1-2, it is recommended to mention if the State (PA DER) took any determination after evaluated the monitoring well results.

Sub-section 2.2 Site Layout

Paragraphs two and four, page 2-1, it is recommended to mention or explain the purpose of the two five-gallon hazardous waste buckets and pails in the ignition assembly area and in the printing room (cleaning, satellite areas, etc.).

Fifth paragraph, page 2-6, the complete name of the room is supposed to be hazardous waste "drum" storage room. The word drum was not included in the name and the rest of the paragraph is a little confuse without this word.

Seventh paragraph, page 2-6, it is recommended to mention that the well locations are presented in Figure 2.2, page 2-3.

Sub-section 2.3 Ownership History (page 2-6)

What about the owners before 1981 ?

Mr. Pilla June 24, 1991



Sub-section 2.5 Permit and Regulatory Action History

Third paragraph, page 2-9, it is recommended to mention that the Company never request to EPA or PA DER the transfer of the NPDES permit because there was no discharge to Mill Run Stream.

## Recommendation

It is recommended try to find the feeling of PA DER regarding the spill that occurred during the removal of the tank, that stored waste ethyl alcohol, or any type of data regarding the wells that were installed during that time, in order to be sure that no other further action under CERCLA or RCRA is recommended for this site at this moment.

# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Region III 841 Chestnut Street Philadelphia, PA 19107



SUBJECT: Peer Review of draft Environmental

Date: 6/18/91

Priorities Initiative Preliminary Assessment for Carol Cable Company

FROM: Christopher Bialecki

Site Assessment Section (3HW13)

TO: Subject File

I have read the draft EPI-PA for the subject site and have the following comments:

Sect 1.0:

1. Cover Page: Please correct this to read: SECTION 1.

Sect 1.3:

 Page 1-3, Paragraph 5: In order to remain consistent with the rest of the report, please change "the inside drum storage area" to "the hazardous waste drum storage area".

### Sect 2.2:

- . Figure 2.3, page 2-4: Please label the boiler room.
- Page 2-6, paragraph 2, line 5: The lead casting room is located in the southeastern corner of the facility.
- Page 2-10, paragraph 1, line 3: Please change "closed its doors" to "closed its operations" or "ceased production".

#### Sect 4.0:

Page 4-1, paragraph 1, line 3: Please change "at the facility in include" to "at the facility include".

#### Sect 4.1.2:

 Page 4-3, paragraph 1: Please give the location of this SWMU.

#### EPA FORM 2070-13:

 Part 1, IV, 01: The date of the Preliminary Assessment was 1/23/91.

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#### Sect 3.2:

Page 3-2, last paragraph: This report uses three miles as the study area boundary for wetlands. The boundary used should be 15 stream miles. Please correct this here, on page 3-8 and on page 3-9. Also, determined if there are wetlands greater than five acres in size within the 15-stream mile radius. If wetlands are found, add them to the report and to the PA Score Sheets.

## Sect 3.3.1:

 Page 3-6, paragraph 2, line 3: Please change "tick" to "thick".

#### Sect 3.6:

Page 3-9: Please include the number of on-site workers in this section.

#### Sect 5.2.1:

• Page 5-1: Please change Donna Santiago's phone number to her new one: (215) 597-1105.

### Sect 5.3:

- Page 5-3, line 10: According to Sect 2.2 and the site sketches on page 2-4 and 2-5, there are offices on both levels of the building. Please correct this.
- Page 5-4, line 1: According to the site sketch on page 2-5 and Sect 2.2, lead casting is done in a room in the southeastern corner of the upper level. Please correct this.
- Page 5-4, line 6: Please add "in the room" after "walls".

## PA Score Sheets:

- Page 8, #13: The dilution weight from Table 4 for a stream is 0.1.
- Page 11, Pathway Characteristics & #4: Here it states that there are 215 workers on site. On EPA FORM 2070-13, Part 3, H, it states that there are 350 workers onsite. Please make the necessary change. Also, the Resident Population Score should be 3.2.
- Page 13, (sum target values)T: This value should be 57.28.
- . Please make these changes and all subsequent changes.

If you have any questions please call me at (215) 597-1110.

cc. Donna Santiago